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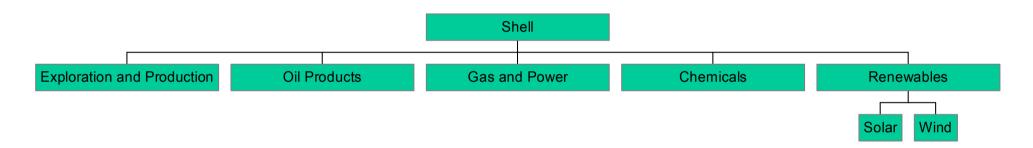
Photovoltaics: Installation and Operation

Presented by: Peter DeNapoli - Shell Solar

- Shell Solar Overview
- earthsafe Overview
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  - The 5 Es What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system
  - Who installs earthsafe
- Installation and Operation of es100HV
  - Component Certification
  - Typical Installation



#### **Royal Dutch/Shell Group Structure**

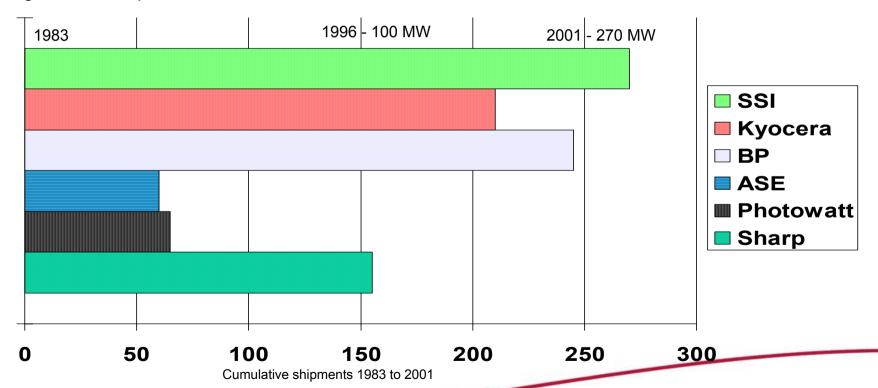


#### Why is Shell in Renewable Energy?

- Strategic development of fossil fuels (stone age did not end because of lack of stones)
- Increased energy demand (growing world population, econmic growth)
- Sustainable development people, planet, profit
- In 20 30 year at least one source of renewable energy will have established itself

#### Shell Solar - An Industry Leader

- Leading PV system solution provider in the world
- Largest installed product base of all manufacturers



#### **World-Wide ISO Manufacturing**

Vancouver, WA crystal fabrication Camarillo, CA wafer fab cell fab module fab Gelsenkirchen, Germany cell fab Evora, Portugal module fab Japan (JV with Showa Shell) module fab







#### Position & objectives for solar

#### Present position:

- Over 15 years experience in PV
- Acquired 100% of Siemens Solar (Jan 2002):
- Mono, Multi CZ and CIS (thin-film) technologies
- > 60 MW production capacity

#### Objectives:

- Continue as leading player globally
- Grow with the market
- #1 or #2 in EU and US
- Focus grid, industrial, rural markets
- Cash positive by 2005





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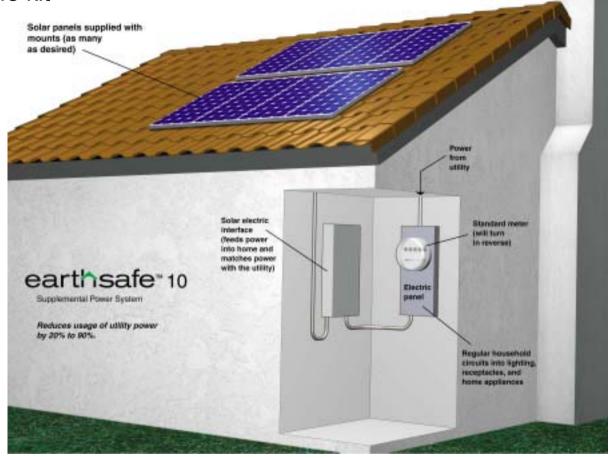
#### earthsafe<sup>™</sup> 100HV Features:

- Standardized kit (appliance)
- Low-cost components and easy/fast installation
- Simplicity of operation
- Uses Large format PV modules: SP140-PC (quick-connects)
- Uses 2.5 kW inverter, multiple units can be used, excellent modularity
- All components are of the highest quality, matched and certified
- Key goal: allow a high quality system to be installed in the shortest amount of time in the most efficient manner



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- Two system platforms offered:
- es 100-1380HV = 1680 watts DC, 1350 watts AC
- es 100-3080HV = 3080 watts DC, 2500 watts AC
- Both systems utilize 2500 watt AC SMA Inverter
- Options:
  - various mounts
  - remote monitoring and data collection





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# System Performance

earthsafe 10 / 100 Systems											
Contents				Performance							
# Solar Modules				D	С	AC*					
earthsafe System	SP75	Roof mount hardware	Inverter	Voltage (Volts)	Power (watts)	Voltage (Volts)	Power (watts)				
Model 10-18HV	24	6	1	400	1800	240	1500				
Model 10-30HV	40	10	1	340	3000	240	2500				
earthsafe System	SP140-PC	Roof mount hardware	Inverter	Voltage (Volts)	Power (watts)	Voltage (Volts)	Power (watts)				
Model 100-1680HV	12	3	1	400	1680	240	1350				
Model 100-3080HV	22	6	1	365	3080	240	2500				
Note: * AC power output	t is based on <i>A</i>	AC power produced by the sys	tem during l	। bright sunlight conditi	ons.						
System performance ma	ay vary based	on the specific location and we	eather condi	tions.							
20% loss estimate used	for DC to AC	conversion.									



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# **System Dimensions**

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	Dimensions						
earthsafe System	SP75 Modules	Roof mount hardware	Length (in)	Width (in)	Depth (in)	* Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Weight (lbs)
Model 10-18HV	24	6		,		172	400.8
Model 10-30HV	40	10				287	668
earthsafe System	SP140-PC Modules						
Model 100-1680HV	12	3				174	530
Model 100-3080HV	22	6				290	668
Note: Each panel of four	SP140-PC modules measu	ures approx. 134" x 64" and we	eighs approx. 17	75 pounds			

- · The 5 Es What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system
- Environment
- Energy
- Early adopters
- Economics
- Elderly Mature, Sophisticated



The 5 Es - What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system

#### **Environment**

- Clean and green production of electricity
- Legacy: making a difference, think globally, acting locally
- Energy payback of a typical solar module is 3.3 years
- Emissions offset for each 2 kilowatt system every year:
  - 2 pounds of oxides of nitrogen
  - 9,039 pounds of carbon dioxide
  - The equivalent of driving your car 11,298 miles per year
  - The carbon dioxide absorbed by 1 acre of trees



The 5 Es - What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system

#### **Energy**

- Provides energy independence from the utilities
  - Many consumers resent their utilities as a "tax" on their lives
  - Stress the attribute of "giving it back" (electricity) to the utilities
- Reliable and Safe
  - 82% of owners consider reliability to be Very Important (CEC Study)
  - No moving parts to wear out, minimum of maintenance required
  - 76% consider safety as the second most important attribute (CEC Study)
  - Play up UL listed components, pre-engineered solution



The 5 Es - What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system

#### **Energy**

- Renting Vs. Owning
  - Like their home, an enduring asset Vs. an unending liability
  - System life ~ 30 years
  - 25-year solar module warranty
  - 5-year inverter warranty, 10-year extended warranty available
- Patriotic
  - Independence from foreign sources of energy
  - Assists with energy crises, past or future
- Their new hobby... Watch the meter run backwards



The 5 Es - What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system

#### **Early Adopters**

- Quick to try new things
  - Willing to put up with product issues in the early going
- Technographics
  - Many customers are professionals or engineers
  - Grew up with parents who were managers or professionals
  - They are computer literate and comfortable with technology
- Toy factor
  - Enjoy the latest technologies
  - Love monitoring features



The 5 Es - What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system

#### **Economics**

- Saves money!
- Offsets electricity use at the utility rates consumers pay
- Rebates/buydowns state tax
- Simple payback
  - System has life of more than 20 years
  - Typical homeowner do not live in their homes more than 10 years today
  - What is payback of a Cadillac Escalade? Hardwood floors? Of a 30-year T-Bill?



The 5 Es - What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system

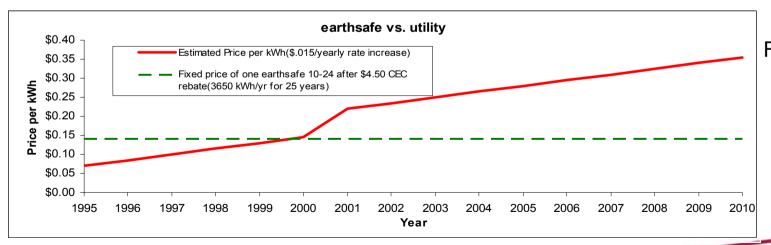
#### **Economics**

Incentives Make PV Systems A viable Economic Argument

The 5 Es - What is the value proposition for a grid-connected PV system

#### **Elderly - Mature, Sophisticated**

- A high percentage of Matures find solar attractive
  - Insulation from future rate increases soon on fixed income
  - Hedge against inflation "rates aren't going to go down"
  - Typically have discretionary savings as part of their nest egg



Future Rate?



· Who installs earthsafe

Shell Solar's earthsafe systems and kits are sold only to and installed by:

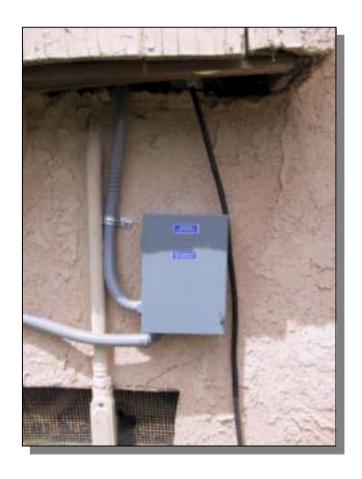
- Trained
- Licensed
- Insured
- Professional
- Electrical, HVAC, Solar Contractors
- Utilities



· Who installs earthsafe

Why is training required?





· Who installs earthsafe

# Why is training required?







- Component Certification
- Utility Interconnection Requirements (inverter)
  - IEEE standard 929
  - UL standard 1741
- PV module/system
  - UL standard 1703
     PV module



- NEC article 690 Safety standard for PV system installation
  - article 230 disconnect means
  - article 240 overcurrent protection
  - article 250 grounding
  - article 300 wiring methods



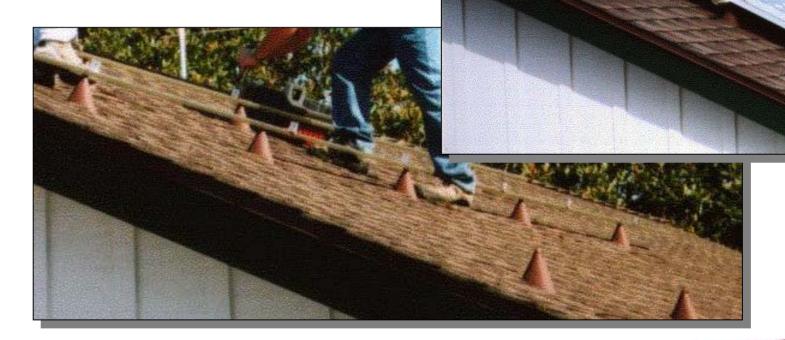
Typical Installation

What do the different earthsafe model numbers mean?

- EXAMPLE: earthsafe <u>100</u>-1680HV-3
- 100: Large format module i.e. SP140-PC
- 1680 : 1680 Watts DC
- HV : High Voltage
- 3:3 inch flashable mount, other flashable sizes include 4.5, 6, and 7.5 inches. Tile trac option also available.



· Typical Installation



Typical Installation

#### es100-1680HV

Layout

# Shown is one Series String of 3 panels (12 modules total) Typical System Arrangement Rooftop Junction DC Disconnect Inverter AC Disconnect Main Distribution Panel

Wiring Schematic



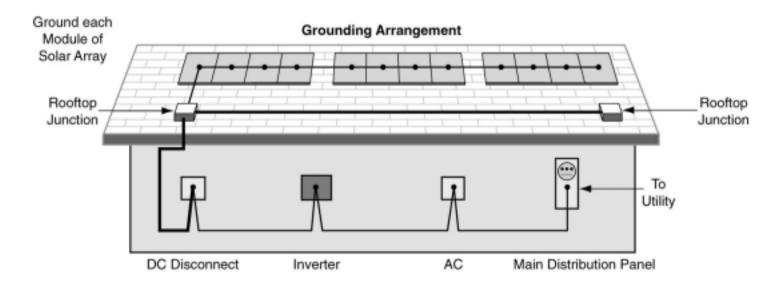
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# es100-1680HV Grounding



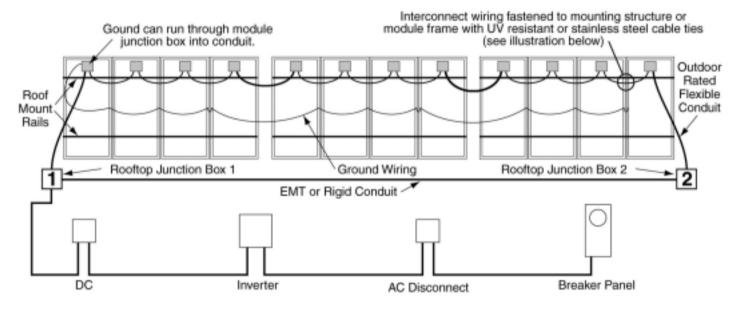
**Ground Wiring Schematic** 

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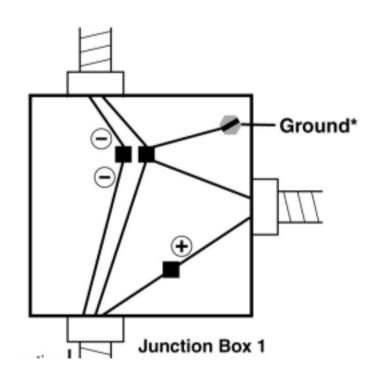
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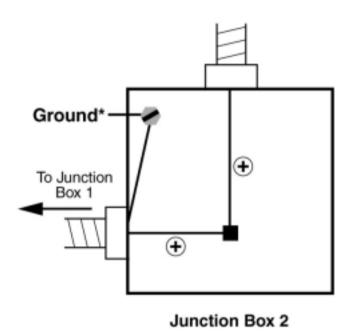
# es100-1680HV Wiring (backside shown)



· Typical Installation

# es100-1680HV Wiring -junction boxes

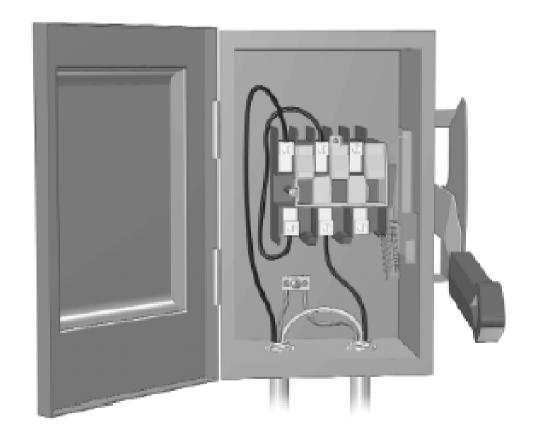




· Typical Installation

# es10-HV DC Disconnect

- Connect array wires to DC disconnect
- Connect output to inverter
- Connect ground to lug



· Typical Installation

# DC Disconnect



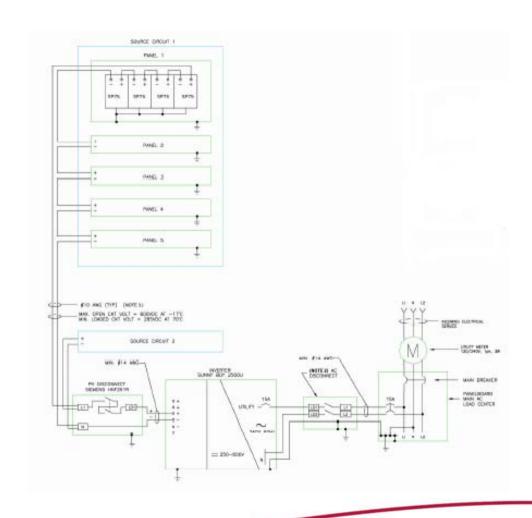
· Typical Installation

#### **HV** Inverter



· Typical Installation

# es100-1680/3080HV Schematic





· Typical Installation

# **Happy Owner!**



Typical Installation

# Warranty Responsibility

- SP140-PC PV Module 25 year warranty
  - Shell Solar handles module warranty claim directly
- SMA 2500 Inverter 5 year warranty
  - SMA America handles inverter warranty claims directly
- Installation Typically 1 year
  - Contractor handles installation issues directly



